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ROLANDO ARGADIO MARFERRER
ROJAS - VICTIM
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Rerep SA William B. Holloman 2/3/60.

Cover page C of rerep, paragraph one, sets forth that on 1/28/60 your Office advised Assistant United States Attorney Bates that no criminal record was known on either subject at the time of arrest. Your attention is directed to the fact that Fernandez has an arrest record under FBI Number 626385B. Refer to urlet of 5/24/57, paragraph number 4. If not already done, furnish pertinent information concerning Fernandez's prior arrest record to AUSA Bates.

Cover page D of rerep reports that during search of hotel room of Valdes subsequent to his arrest, certain letters and papers were located "which may be pertinent to this case." You have further advised that no evaluation of these letters has yet been made. No lead is set forth for your Office to report on this point and this should have been done. Moreover, since it is quite possible that these papers and letters may be extremely relative to this case (for example, they may contain instructions or other information which would link Valdes to Cuban officials in connection with this kidnapping plot), you should expedite a thorough review of the material in question and advise the Bureau immediately of the results of this review. Pertinent data secured from these documents should also be promptly furnished in report form.

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Airtel to SAC, Miami

Re: JUAN BUENAVENTURA EUGENIO
FERNANDEZ DE CASTRO RODRIGUEZ, ET AL.
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ROJAS - VICTIM

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Rerep sets forth that, according to Lee Napier of the Miami Police Department, Mrs. Taaffe advised him that she was telephonically contacted by Raul Castro with regard to this matter. Allegedly, Francisco Rodriguez Couceiro listened in via an extension telephone on one conversation between Taaffe and Raul Castro. Your report fails to indicate that you questioned Mrs. Taaffe concerning the reported telephone call she received from Raul Castro. If not already done, immediately interview Mrs. Taaffe on this point and furnish results in report form.

In view of the discrepancies between the stories offered by Mrs. Taaffe, Valdes, Fernandes and Napier, every effort should be made to determine Mrs. Taaffe's contacts during the period previous to subject's arrest. You should check Mrs. Taaffe's long-distance toll calls for the month of January, 1960. In this connection, cover pages C and D of rerep indicate that, according to MM 639-S, Fernando Coba of the Cuban National Police, when advised of subject's arrest, indicated a desire to contact Mrs. Taaffe by telephone. X (u)

It is noted that Mrs. Taaffe is presently the subject of a separate investigation, New York origin, in which your Office is participating. In view of the pertinent information developed concerning Mrs. Taaffe in this matter, you should have furnished New York with a copy of rerep. A copy of this report is being forwarded to New York with this airtel, and Miami should designate copies of future reports for New York. Moreover, all pertinent data developed concerning Taaffe in this case should be reported by Miami under the Taaffe caption.

Rerep, beginning on page 19, lists various items found in possession of Valdes at the time of his arrest. This material includes the names and/or phone numbers or addresses of various individuals located in the Miami area: for example, R. M. Brooks, Arthur Rosenfeld, Robert F. Bell, Ben T. Jones and Jack Ahlstead. Rerep sets forth the results of an interview with Rosenfeld concerning his knowledge of Valdes. However, no leads are set forth to further identify or interview the other individuals listed and there is no indication that your Office plans to pursue these leads. Immediately conduct inquiries to identify the individuals involved and to interview them for any pertinent information they might have, unless specific reasons exist which would preclude such interviews.

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